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Editorial

Don't Take "No" For an Answer

We have featured some very outstanding success stories and we have had the pleasure of seeing two of these people receive the Handicapped American of the Year award at the annual meeting of the President's Committee for Employment of the Handicapped, which we attend every year.

I want to make an observation; each and every individual, who has been the subject of an ACCENT success story, has never taken "no" for an answer. Each has kept trying until an answer was found.

In this issue Tad Tanaka tells how he tried three different methods to sell stamps from his home. Finally he found one that worked for him. What if he had quit after the first, or even the second method had failed?

I personally feel very humble, yes and proud too, as we get to know each of these personalities. They have inspiring stories to tell and . . . a great many readers have found "the right idea" in ACCENT and are now running successful businesses of their own.

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ACCENT On Living is a national magazine dedicated to serving all handicapped people, their families and their friends, regardless of race, religion or creed. ACCENT is an authoritative clearing house for problems confronting handicapped people. ACCENT is edited and published with the firm belief that each person gains invaluable experience and knowledge as the result of a physical handicap. ACCENT believes in the complete dignity and respect of all persons. Furthermore, all profit from subscriptions and advertising will be used for furthering rehabilitation facilities and bringing facts, ideas and the benefits of rehabilitation to the readers of this magazine.

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About Tom Dooley

by Donald Setar

Here was a man of great dedication of personal sacrifice because he had something to believe in—an ancient philosophy of the original Christians which is apparently too archaic for present-day Christians—the philosophy of giving! Here is a man who knew he had cancer and who, rather than give up his work to be treated sympathetically, spent even more time giving of himself and of his little remaining time on earth.

Here is a lesson we can all learn from, for we all come face to face with serious problems in life and

this is when we must put our personal philosophies to the test. If we have goals, aims, ideals, and convictions; if we have a sound philosophy to our everyday approach to life; if we give to ourselves and our time to worthwhile aims, we can overcome most of our fears because we will have something bigger than our lives to think about and to act upon.

This is one of the lessons I feel Tom Dooley—or rather his personal philosophy can teach us and this is one of the lessons I feel so many of our illustrations vehicles of communication, the press, radio and TV, did not make any real effort to uncover for the reader, the listener, or the viewer.

Living Lines...

"Do you know if there is a place where handicapped people can buy things at wholesale?"

Louise Linkugel
Bremen, Kansas

(Editor's note: If enough people are interested in this, ACCENT will start a new service for readers. There are many items that could be available such as typewriters, sewing machines, some major appliances, kitchen appliances, etc.)

"Enjoy ACCENT so very much. How about a 'Cook's Corner' with quick to fix recipes for those who haven't the time nor the muscles to do elaborate dishes . . . instant gourmet ideas. . . ."

Jo Snow
Manhattan Beach, Calif.

(Ed. Note: Anybody have some tasty ideas? Send 'em in and we'll print 'em.)

"I thoroughly enjoyed the article, 'International Wheelchair Games' in the Winter, 1960 issue of ACCENT on Living, by Robert A. Lahey! I would appreciate hearing more about these games being held in this country, and like to have such information as where the nearest competitions to my locality here in Norman, Oklahoma are being held, and what the qualifications for participation are."

Edgar L. Titus III
Norman, Oklahoma

"I have read with great interest the International Wheelchair Games article written by Robert A. Lahey. However, I would like to point out a few inaccuracies: 1. The discus throw was not accepted as an event for next year's games at Stoke-Mandeville. A closed motion made to introduce the discus was de-

feated by a majority vote. It is our feeling that when it is introduced next year, it will be passed, since many of the countries were not quite sure of its significance. The new event that was approved by one of the countries and passed by a majority vote was the weight lifting event. 2. On page 8 Mr. Lahey states that the teams from the United States were sponsored by Pan American Airways and Joseph Bulova School of Watchmaking prior to this year. The Joseph Bulova School of Watchmaking did not participate at any time prior to this year. I enjoy the magazine very much —keep up the good work."

Benjamin H. Lipton, Director
Joseph Bulova School of
Watchmaking
Long Island, New York

"I am currently enrolled in the Graduate School of Psychology, University of Colorado. I am planning to investigate the automobile insurance problem in regard to the physically handicapped. I would be interested in reading any and all materials you might have in this area before I proceed with the study. Also, I would appreciate any suggestions you might



"Okay, Georgeous Georgia, let's make it 2 out of 3 falls and you win again today, huh?"

have concerning how this problem might be approached."

Edwin Johnston
Boulder, Colorado

(Ed. Note: "I am happy to send you, under separate cover, a copy of our Fall issue with the article, 'A Comparison of Severely Handicapped and Able-Bodied Drivers'. The big question is not that a handicapped driver is slightly more or perhaps slightly less a safe driver than his able-bodied counterpart. The big area of concern, as far as insurance companies are involved, is what happens in a court room when an opposing attorney "implies" that had the driver not had a handicap it is certainly possible the accident wouldn't have happened. In other words, lawsuits involving handicapped drivers have a higher chance of being lost because of the implications—true or not—that the handicapped contributed to the accident. From a handicapped insured's point of view, if he cannot obtain insurance normally he can always revert to the assigned risk plan with its higher premiums. There is a great competitive struggle now going on in the auto insurance industry—for example, there are new rating plans of many types going into various states. I would suggest that your study would have a very practical value to many handicapped persons if it were to carefully outline the auto insurance situation from the buyer's standpoint and what various "routes" were available to him for protection. It would be interesting to show a relative comparison of premiums, too. I would be very happy to receive a copy of your study for publication in ACCENT On Living. I want to congratulate you on your efforts, there is a great need for intelligent effort in this regard."

"I enjoy ACCENT magazine very much and Dear Bonnie and Richard Sprague's articles are the first that I read. Keep up the good work and best wishes in the New Year."

Earl Welsh, Jr.
Sacramento, California

"I thoroughly enjoyed your picture and story on Mrs. Marge Lawler and her catering business, on page 19 of the Winter issue. She is a member of Beta Sigma Phi sorority and so am I. We both are on their shut-in list and every year receive over 300 Christmas cards from other sorority sisters, which is very inspiring. Mrs. Lawler must be a very courageous person."

Cordelia Talley
Houston, Texas

"Dear Bonnie is priceless. I pray she may be able to carry on with the increased volume of correspondence which is sure to come. We are going to be interested in knowing about the resort for handicapped adults just as soon as it is available and I hope it is not too far away or too expensive."

S. N. Osgood
Minneapolis, Minnesota

"My wife has been a polio patient for six years and has practically total paralysis. She gets up in a wheelchair and we have a problem of entry and exit from the house because of steps. Would you have any information on what kind of ramp or wheel rails might be available to use for this purpose?"

Mort Linder
South Bend, Indiana

(Ed. note: Ideas from readers will be forwarded to Mr. Linder.)

"I am interested in collecting articles on the phonies in mail order; such as . . . Dealers that are selling mail order franchises and various work at home schemes. I understand that you occasionally expose an unscrupulous mail order dealer through your editorials. Would appreciate receiving copies of your magazine containing those articles."

Al Perry
Antioch, California

"I am 22 years old and was graduated from high school last year in my wheelchair. My hobbies are electronics and girls; the latter is rather difficult to indulge in under my circumstances. Perhaps some girl reading this open letter of mine will write me and maybe we can become pen-pals."

Garrett Egley WV2QDE
Ocean Grove, New Jersey

"Please send me two copies of the Winter 1956 issue of Polio Living (old name) as it has an article on frog breathing in it. I have some friends at the VA hospital who need to learn frog breathing."

Lowell Weissert
Bourbon, Indiana

"People do not seem to be as happy and peaceful as they should be. Jesus said, 'As a man thinketh within himself so he is'. So they must need to think better thoughts. I am starting a movement for just this purpose—to give people definite thoughts on peace, health, love and prosperity to fill their mind. This should make them and the world more happy and peaceful. It also explains how to crowd out irritating thoughts."

K. Emmons
Mt. Clemens, Michigan

"One very special possession of mine is the unique wheelchair made by Everest & Jennings".

Marilou Anderegg
Warren, Penna.

"The 'spark of an idea' that you mentioned in your editorial has already been successful in two cases. It seems to me that the problem is mainly one of education—calling attention to the fact that there are many people who cannot use public buildings because of architectural barriers. Maybe you could use the elimi-

nation of architectural barriers idea in an editorial or an article in your magazine to get people in other areas to work on this problem. I felt very inspired to do what I could do in my community. We are building a new high school. I contacted the school board to ask them for a ramp between the parking area and the sidewalk. (there are no steps to the door). The school board members said they had never thought of this problem and they would be happy to add the ramp. Now any handicapped person has easy access to the new high school and the auditorium. After seeing the plans for the new addition to our community hospital in Nyack, I contacted the architect. I had hoped for easy access at the entrance and adequate washroom facilities at least on the patient floors. I was quite dismayed to find that the new addition of the hospital, of all places, was to have stairs and washrooms that would not accommodate wheelchairs—the same as the old hospital. When I explained the problems and requirements to the architect, he was most appreciative of my calling this to his attention. There was not too much he could do about lavatory facilities because of space limitations and lack of funds for changes, but he has now provided for a curtain toilet stall in each washroom on the patient floors so a wheelchair can maneuver. He has also made provisions for a ramp and special parking at the main entrance. In the Fall issue of ACCENT on page 29 a booklet on this subject was listed: 'Facilities in Public Buildings for Persons with Ambulatory Impairments'. It is a most informative booklet. I have written several architects I know telling them about the booklet and where to get it."

Margaret M. Stover
Palisades, New York

**It does not take long to supplant
The man who whines and says, "I
Can't."
His place is always taken by
The man who merely says, "I'll try."**

Tax Saving Tips

The basic allowance for medical care under the internal revenue code is for taxpayers under 65 years of age, the deduction is limited to expenses which exceed 3% of the adjusted gross income. The deduction allowed cannot be more than \$2500 multiplied by the number of exemptions allowed the taxpayer. A maximum deduction of \$10,000 is allowed for the head of the family, and \$5000 for a single taxpayer.

Following is a list of deductible medical expenses:

1. Accident and Health Insurance premiums.
2. Ambulance hire.
3. Cost of artificial limbs.
4. Cost of braces and crutches.
5. Cost of eye glasses.
6. Cost of hearing aids.
7. Cost of operations and related treatments.
8. Dental fees.
9. Diagnostic fees.
10. Drugs and Medical Supplies (including vitamins, etc., prescribed by doctor where cost is in excess of 1% of taxpayer's adjusted gross income).
11. Fees of licensed chiropractors.
12. Fees of licensed osteopaths.
13. Fees of practical or registered nurses (including nurse's board and Social Security Taxes where paid by taxpayer).
14. Fees of qualified psychologists.
15. Hospital fee.
16. Laboratory fees.
17. Physician fees.
18. Surgical fees.
19. Training in speech and lip reading for hard of hearing, including travel necessarily incurred to receive such care.
20. Therapy treatments.
21. X-rays.
22. Cost of wheelchairs.
23. Transportation costs. If the patient's transportation is for medical care then the cost of a parent's transportation to accompany a sick child or that of a nurse to attend the patient is also deductible. For instance, the cost of transporting to, and maintaining an asthmatic child in Arizona was allowed as a deduction.
Transportation costs are not apt to be allowed as a deduction unless incurred primarily for and are essential to the alleviation of a physical or mental defect or illness on the advice of a doctor.
Cost of taxi cabs and other public transportation to and from special schools for the handicapped, hospitals and doctor's offices are deductible, but the Internal Revenue Service requires tangible proof of the expenditure.
Costs for transportation by private car are similarly deduct-

- ible, but this is limited to actual cost for gasoline and oil for the trips, and does not include depreciation, maintenance or insurance on the car.
24. Expenses of Institutional Care. If a person attends a special school for the mentally or physically handicapped principally to alleviate the condition, the cost of attending, including the cost of meals and lodging if supplied as an incident to care, is deductible. Also deductible is the cost of "ordinary education furnished which is incidental to the special services furnished by the school."
- When in doubt, or if you have questions that are not answered here, consult your accountant or call the U. S. Government Internal Revenue Service office in your city.

The Keogh Bill

This legislation, if it becomes law, can mean an extra \$1,200 deduction on the income tax forms of disabled taxpayers who drive their own car to and from work.

On January 3, 1961, Representative Keogh introduced bill HR424, which has been referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

What It Says

"In the case of a disabled individual, there shall be allowed as a deduction expenses paid during the taxable year for transportation to and from work to the extent that such expenses do not exceed \$600 . . . term 'disabled individual' means an individual who is blind or who has lost the use of a leg, or both legs, or of both arms, to such an extent that he is unable during the entire taxable year to use, without undue hardship or danger, a streetcar, bus, subway, train or similar form of public transportation, as a means of travelling to and from work. A taxpayer claiming a de-

duction under this section shall submit such proof that he is a disabled individual as the Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate may by regulations prescribe. The regulations so prescribed shall include the following provisions: (1) proof of disability shall be certified by a physician authorized to do so by any county (or equivalent) medical society. (2) The certifying physician shall specify the nature, cause, and physically limiting effects of the disability. . . .

"An additional exemption of \$600 for the taxpayer if he is a disabled individual . . . an additional exemption of \$600 for the spouse of the taxpayer if the spouse is a disabled individual and if the taxpayer is entitled to an exemption . . . term 'disabled individual' means an individual who during the entire

taxable year of the taxpayer has a permanent loss of use of one or more of the extremities." (the same proof of disability applies here as above).

The Joint Handicapped Council, an organization promoting programs designed to aid the disabled, has been very influential, in addition to many other national handicapped and welfare organizations, in promoting this particular legislation. Council president Maurice Ward has asked that letters be written to congressmen and senators urging passage of HR424 for the tax relief of physical handicapped taxpayers.

How Does A Tax Bill Become Law?

A lot happens before it does. Tax legislation originates in the House of Representatives. Major tax bills are usually written by the Ways and Means committee, after it has held hearings and considered recommendations made by the Treasury Department, the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation and other official bodies, and by private individuals and organizations. Unless and until the Committee reports a bill to the House, it has no chance of becoming law. Most of the bills introduced by individual Congressmen die in Committee, i.e., they are never reported.

The first official version of the language of a bill is the bill as reported by the Committee; and the first official interpretation of that language is in the report of the Ways and Means Committee, made

at the time the bill is reported. Recommendations, even by the President, or the highest treasury officials, to the Ways and Means Committee, are still only recommendations; they don't even have a start toward becoming law unless and until the Committee includes them in a bill. Interviews given out by the individual Congressmen, either before or after a bill is reported, may be interesting as news, but they cannot be relied upon as an indication of what the law will finally be.

A bill reported by the Ways and Means Committee is subject to amendments when it is taken up on the floor of the House.

After the House has passed a bill, it is referred to the Senate Finance Committee. That Committee usually holds hearings similar to those held by the Ways and Means Committee, after which it reports the bill to the Senate, with or without amendments, which may consist of adding new sections or rewriting or deleting sections in the bill as passed by the House. At the time the Senate Finance Committee reports the bill to the Senate, it also issues a report explaining its provisions. When the bill is considered on the floor of the Senate it is subject to further amendments which may be offered by any Senator.

Frequently the bill as passed by the Senate differs sufficiently from that as passed by the House to require further consideration by a Conference Committee composed of members of the House and the Sen-

ate. The Conference Committee works out a compromise between the two versions. The compromise may consist of deleting some House provisions and some Senate amendments and, in some instances, of re-writing a provision on which the House and the Senate disagree. The bill as reported by the Conference Committee is then submitted to both the House and the Senate for a final vote. Usually the Conference Committee bill is passed promptly by both the House and the Senate and it is then ready to be submitted to the President for his signature.

If the bill enacted by Congress meets with his approval, the President will sign it. If he is not satisfied with the bill, the President must return it, with his stated objections, to the House in which it originated. The House then reconsidered the bill and, by voice vote of $\frac{2}{3}$ of its members, may pass it over the veto. If the House so passes the bill, the Senate must also reconsider it and pass it by a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote. If the vote in either House falls short of the necessary $\frac{2}{3}$, the veto stands.

The bill may become law without the President's signature if he fails to act on it within ten days after it is presented to him. However, if the President fails to act on the bill and the Congress adjourns before the ten days have elapsed, the bill cannot become law. In this event, the President effects a "pocket veto".

Summary

In understanding the somewhat complicated procedure of how a tax

bill becomes law, it is hoped that those individuals and organizations interested in promoting this, and other, legislation of benefit to the physically handicapped taxpayer can find guidance toward realizing their goal.



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Handicapped Placement Service

Lorraine Feltner, a victim of both polio and osteo of Kansas City, Missouri, realized the necessity for greater coordination of effort in the placement of handicapped people so, alone and only with her determination, she started working from her home by telephone early in 1959.

Her job—getting jobs for other handicapped people. She did this so effectively that it wasn't long before civic leaders became interested in her work. One of these, James



This girl got a job. Teresa Cates (left) had polio in 1952 and is paralyzed in her right leg and the entire left arm. Teresa has been working in her home for the Doctors Service Co. doing mailing and telephone work. Here she is being interviewed for home work as a graphophone operator. Ed Jones, formerly with the K C Police Department, is personnel director for Handicapped Placement Service. Ed has had two serious heart attacks. Lorraine Feltner, founder and executive director, (shown right) is the driving force behind this successful business. Lorraine's left leg was amputated above the knee because of polio, which she had at age 3. She is now 41.

Hatch, president of the Union Wire Rope Corp., was so intrigued with her efforts that he backed her up with publicity and organizational support.

An employers advisory Board was established, which at the present time numbers 53 civic and business leaders, 100% of whom have supported this program financially. Later an executive committee was formed to provide top business advice and on May 28, 1959 articles of incorporation were filed with the State of Missouri as a non-profit organization.

In the meantime, and again using the telephone, Mrs. Feltner acquired rent-free office space at 300 Dwight Bldg., 10th and Baltimore. Then she solicited businesses for office furniture, typewriters, files, office supplies, stationery and printing, all of which were donated by various interested business concerns.

Lorraine Feltner has insisted from the beginning that no fees or charges would be assessed either the handicapped person placed, or the business where placement was made. Their source of income is donations and memberships and in October of 1960 they joined and became eligible for United Fund assistance.

Using the telephone seems to spell success for Lorraine. At one time she raised over \$15,000 strictly by telephone solicitation of individ-

ual memberships of \$10 and company donations of \$100.

At the end of 1959, after not even a full year of operation, Handicapped Placement Service had placed 330 handicapped persons in employment and shortly thereafter a check showed that 80% of these were still on the job.

To our knowledge, this is the first specialized placement service for handicapped persons operated entirely by handicapped people. Judging from the many inquiries they have received it won't be long before similar services may be established in other cities.

The Bible Says

By
Rev.
Arthur
Gordon



"**A**nd Enoch walked with God . . . —Genesis 5:24

Such is the testimony of the Bible to a man of ancient times.

The deep longing of the human heart has always been to have fellowship with God. The first man and woman enjoyed this, until they decided to detour by a way forbidden. Sin broke the fellowship God and man went separate ways.

Occasionally, however, through the years, one of the fallen creatures would repent and return to his Creator. Enoch is a case in point.

"And Enoch walked with God." The human heart (though sometimes imperceptibly) still yearns for this.

It isn't enough to know God exists way off yonder somewhere in the starry heavens. We want and need God near us. Jacob once testified of God: "(He) kept me company on my journey." That's what we need: God to keep us company on our earthly pilgrimage.

"He had this testimony," says the New Testament of Enoch, explaining his intimacy with God, "that he pleased God." Fellowship was broken when Adam and Eve displeased God. It may be restored by pleasing Him.

"But," continues the account, "without faith it is impossible to please him." To please God, then, we must be men and women of faith.

Jesus puts it simply: "Believe in God, believe also in me." And for all who do, "truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ."

Thus, to walk in intimate fellowship with God is not a blessing which only the ancients enjoyed. We too may walk with Him through life's day, enjoying blessed and close communion, talking with Him (in prayer), hearing Him speak to us (from the Word), sharing with Him our good days and ill, our aspirations, our disappointments, our joys and sorrows.

The deep longing of the human heart may indeed be realized by each of us by a simple but sincere act of faith in God, the Father, and in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Talents Incorporated



President Dave White and his wife, who is an active partner in Talents, launched his dream of employing handicapped people in the dining room of their home. They are helping other businessmen change an attitude toward physically handicapped people from "I'm sorry"—to "what can you do?"

combined "talents" of its physically handicapped employees.

This firm pays standard wages—for work performed—and does not exploit handicapped workers for the profit of principal stockholders by paying below average wages.

Dave White, who had polio in 1912 when he was three years old, is helping prove to American industry that physically handicapped workers are not job handicapped when properly selected and trained to do a job.



When you receive a letter from David D. White, President of Talents, Inc., in Cincinnati, Ohio, it says on his letterhead stationery, "Military and Commercial Packaging, Engraving of Plates for Commercial and Industrial Uses, Cable and Harness Manufacturers, Sorting and Salvaging Industrial Components for Re-use, and Mechanical and Electronic Assembly Work." This firm, which had a net profit of \$19,743.17 in 1959, its second year of operation, is a reflection of the dynamic personality of its president and the

Happy and ready to start another day at Talents, Inc., Mr. and Mrs. Bill Staeling arrive at work a few minutes before the 8 o'clock bell. As many as 30 people work from 8 to 4:30 every day, with a half hour at noon for lunch.



Clients such as General Electric, Steelcraft, Deopke and Opitz repeatedly employ Talents, proof of a talented team at Talents. Picture shows one section at work in an assembly operation. Murphy Scott (right) foreman and cardiac patient is shown talking to Melvin Bailey, who works despite multiple sclerosis.



Soldering is done expertly and speedily by Frank Edmonds, paralyzed from the waist down by polio.



Even though he can't see the jet engine bolts, Bill Staeling "never misses" as he sorts by type and size.



One of Talents' specialties is engraved name plates. Kendel Fraley was paralyzed from the waist down in a coal mine accident.

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Dear Bonnie:



DEAR BONNIE:

I can't seem to keep a housekeeper longer than two weeks. We pay as much as anyone else, yet they all find excuses to quit. What's wrong with them?

HELP-LESS

DEAR HELP-LESS:

What's wrong with *you*?

DEAR BONNIE:

Is it really safe for a handicapped person to drive a car? I am thinking of getting hand controls so I could drive my dad's car, but he would worry about it.

BOB

DEAR BOB:

Safety cannot be guaranteed for any driver. A lot depends on the individual, so it is no wonder that some handicapped drivers are safer than so-called "normals". Because you are concerned about safety, you sound like a good driver to me. Fathers worry anyway!

DEAR BONNIE:

I have been in a rest home for several years. My husband visits me regularly and takes good care of our daughter,

who attends a boarding school. Since we know there is no possibility of my living at home, my husband openly has affairs with other women. I no longer care except I wonder if I should. Should I say anything to him about it? He even brings them along to see me sometimes.

D.D.

DEAR D.D.:

You should discuss it with him because of its possible effect on your daughter. Otherwise his morals, like his breakfast, are no longer within your jurisdiction.

DEAR BONNIE:

My sister is nineteen, I am fifteen. She had polio and uses crutches, but she has snared the sweetest guy you ever saw. My problem is, I am wild about him too. Shall I take him away from her, or be miserable all my life?

WILMA

DEAR WILMA:

If he has been "snared" your problem is over, go ahead and be miserable.

DEAR BONNIE:

My husband has a chance to take a trip next summer with two friends of his. They will be gone about a month. Since I have been entirely dependent upon him for physical care for over 5 years, I am reluctant to have him go. He is willing to give up the chance. Am I justified in letting him miss such an opportunity?

Mrs. W.

DEAR MRS. W.:

No! This is *your* opportunity to show yourself that you can depend on a substitute while your husband has

"time off" from your life situation. Urge him to go. You are overdoing the togetherness routine.

DEAR BONNIE:

Should a person in a wheel chair wear bright colors such as red and purple?

MARY B.

DEAR MARY B.:

Why not, if you like them? Just don't wear them *together!*

DEAR BONNIE:

I have a lot of trouble with pressure on my tailbone in bed. Invalid cushions cause my back to ache. How do others solve this problem?

BETTY

DEAR BETTY:

Try two small pillows. Place one under each hip to relieve pressure. Foam rubber pillows usually are most comfortable and durable.

DEAR BONNIE:

Where can I buy a used electric typewriter?

EDDIE

DEAR EDDIE:

Write directly to the manufacturers, addressing your letter to the sales manager. You might also contact local typewriter salesmen and insert an ad in your local paper. Sometimes good used electric typewriters are offered at auction when a business is discontinued.

DEAR BONNIE:

One of the women in our bridge club is in a wheel chair. She is all twisted up with arthritis. When all of the women

meet and are complimenting each other, I am at a loss for something nice to say to her. Any suggestions?

LOIS

DEAR LOIS:

There is something to admire about everybody and it doesn't have to be their looks! What does she say to you?

Is Your Life Miserable?

by
**Richard
Sprague**

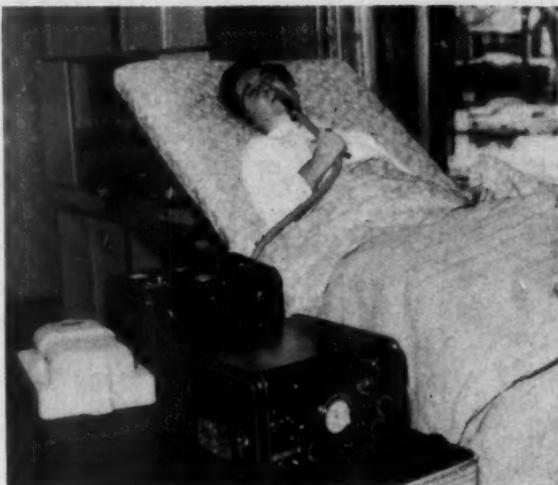


LOVE LIFE OF A POLIO

Anyone who tells you the emotional urges of a Polio are thwarted by iron lungs, leg braces, or other weaknesses, obviously doesn't understand the situation. Because the Polio is temporarily deprived (also depraved) of close companionship with the opposite sex, and jokingly taunted about it by hospital personnel and visitors, it's only natural that frustration sets in. These cravings then are more intense, but the

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Wins \$1400 Thompson respirator. Mrs. Robert Hartzler, Goshen, Indiana, won this brand new portable respirator for her entry in the recent contest sponsored by ACCENT On Living. She is shown using the positive pressure hose assembly and is thrilled by the freedom it allows. Her husband bought a '48 DeSoto side-door ambulance and she is once again able to get around town. She said, "I surely do want to thank you again for making this all possible. I just wish everyone else who wanted a portable could get one too."



Camp Hidden Valley in New York was pioneered by the Herald Tribune Fresh Air Fund. Camp Hidden Valley has sponsored integrated camping for equal numbers of handicapped and non-handicapped children in a program designed for all the children. Camping is free for all children. The Herald Tribune Fresh Air Fund pays the entire cost.

Buses with elevators. The U. of Illinois, Urbana, has 163 handicapped students on campus, 101 of them in wheelchairs. Tim J. Nugent, Director, is shown watching as Odelia Brusk and Kenneth Robb demonstrate. Buses run on regular one hour schedules and each travels more than 1,000 miles a month.



ACCENT On Pictures



12,500 volts made LeVerl Johnson a triple amputee. Verl was a line-man for the Idaho Power Company in Pocatello. Verl is shown drawing a fast bead on a hard target, a doe bounding away at a distance of over 100 yards. Result—Verl and his wife have plenty of venison in their freezer.

Hawaiian hospitality. Dorr Quayle, insurance agent in Portland, received this bit of surprising but welcome Island hospitality from pert waheeni (girl) while on a vacation trip following the D.A.V. convention in Seattle last August.

Photo courtesy The Challenger



Fearless wheelchair hunters, Earl Poulsen and Johny Storie, used this four-wheel drive roadmaker Jeep for hunting deer in Eastern Oregon.



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obstacles are overcome in more ingenious and creative ways.

Attendance at one of our weekly meetings of the 'Calendar Arts Society For Inhibited Male Polio's, was one method of overcoming these frustrations. This was an association dedicated solely to the rapid restoration of rigorous relationships. As an incentive, a local merchant distributed monthly calendars to us, adorned by voluptuous young females in semi-clad poses. Ironically enough, this merchant manufactured dry cell batteries.

Consider the case of Janet and Roger. Janet was a cutie, whose muscle loss was entirely in her legs. Roger was a husky fellow with good leg muscles, but nothing to make his arms move. Considering the fact that they were both attracted to each other, it seemed to be one of the most practical romances two people could hope to make.

Admittedly Roger had somewhat of a problem trying to declare his intentions to Janet without his arms, let alone kiss her. But ingenuity triumphed, and Roger used his skill in electronics to cope with this rather serious problem. Roger devised a mechanical 'limb lifter' which fit around each arm and automatically raised, lowered, extended, and withdrew his arms, hands, and fingers. This was hooked up to a switch box with a row of pushbuttons he pressed with his toes. After this device was perfected, he invited Janet to his room

one weekend to demonstrate what he had only been telling her.

Roger's invention seemed to be something of a major success for several hours, until we heard Janet's cries of anguish and saw her wheeling tearfully from his room with a large red welt on her cheek. Roger, she told us, hadn't gotten fresh with her, but merely pushed the wrong button after telling her he loved her: the one that applied his right fist to her left eye, thereby proving that automation and emotion just don't mix.

Another original idea came from two middle aged Polio's, both in Iron Lungs, that became enamored with each other. They first developed a system of private communication by winking their eyelids and clicking their teeth together. This was satisfactory until the gentleman nearly swallowed his upper plate, trying to say fond things about her. Then too, it made the other patients susceptible to eye twitching. Next they tried tapping out code messages on the inside of their container with a good arm or leg. The lungs unfortunately refused to stand so much romantic abuse, and sprung a leak. Finally their romantic inclinations overcame their shyness, and they asked to share a private room together for an hour. Like many Polio stories the situation ended happily for them, as they were united one month later in a "Double Lung Ceremony".

Boss to employee: "I wouldn't wake you Jackson if it weren't important. You're fired!"

ACCENT On The News

If you quack at a duckling when it is sixteen hours old, it will adopt you for its mother. Scientists call this "imprinting behavior", an early experience in life which has profound influence on the future social behavior of animals. So says Prof. E. H. Hess of the U. of Chicago.

The cost of medical care. Compared to costs twenty years ago, medical costs are up 108%; clothing up 106%; men's haircuts up 218%; shoes up 169%; food up 151%; domestic servants up 297%; public transportation up 139%; movies up 130%; physicians' fees up 90%. According to AMA, the average American spends 6c of his consumer dollar for health, 27c for housing, 22c for food, 10c for clothing, 12c for travel, 6c for recreation, 5c for tobacco and liquor, and 12c for all other items.

Telephone party-line emergency laws now exist in 30 states. A New Jersey housewife was fined \$200 for refusing to yield a telephone party-line to allow a physician to call an ambulance for a heart patient. The patient, who had suffered congestive heart failure, has recovered, although she is still bedridden.

Should you start a new business or buy a going business? This is one of many pertinent subjects discussed in the 49 page booklet, "Starting and Managing A Small Business of Your Own", available from the U.S. Gov't Printing Office for 40c. Catalog number is SBA1.15:1.

Warts are caused by a virus and are in no way related to cancer, a U. of Michigan dermatologist contends. Dr. E. R. Harrell disagrees with a widely published statement by a physician which indicated that a fair percentage of warts become cancerous.

National Mail Merchandisers, in Dorchester, Mass., has used false, deceptive and misleading claims to sell mail order dealerships, according to a Federal Trade Commission complaint. For example, the complaint says, mailing material and magazine advertising imply that an active participating mail order dealership will cost the purchaser as little as \$25 and can cost him nothing.

Some of the worst crooks are those selling correspondence and home study courses in Bible, theology and philosophy, by making false claims. The FTC has issued an order prohibiting The Colonial Academy, Inc., The Pioneer Theological Seminary, and National Association of Bible Schools, all of the same address in Rockford, Illinois, from misrepresenting that they are accredited non-profit residence schools and from making numerous other false claims. The complaint said they are not recognized by any institution, agency or organization and persons awarded diplomas are neither entitled to, nor will receive the same honors, rights and privileges as persons holding diplomas from properly accredited schools. The National Association of Bible Schools, the

complaint continued, is not a recognized accrediting agency as claimed, but is merely a corporation organized by the officers in an attempt to give respectability to their own correspondence schools.

Montgomery Ward & Co., Inc., Chicago, Illinois, according to the FTC, has made fictitious pricing and savings claims for its automobile tires. List prices shown in newspaper ads are not M.W.'s customary retail prices, but are substantially higher.

Encyclopedia Americana publisher was fined \$16,000 for violating an FTC cease and desist order. Americana salesmen had misrepresented that prospects were offered the encyclopedia at a reduced or special price and that they were specially selected to receive the offer.

Nutri-Health, Inc., in Baltimore, Maryland, was charged by the FTC with using a deceptive offer of free merchandise to promote the sale of its vitamin preparation, Nutri-Health. The complaint alleges that \$5.00 is not a low or introductory price for one bottle of the company's vitamin capsules, but is the usual and customary price for two bottles.

Stephen F. Singer, trading as Star-Crest Recording Co., in Hollywood, Calif., has been charged by the FTC with using false royalty claims and other deception to obtain fees from song writers for recording their songs. The complaint alleges he agrees to pay a certain amount for each record sold, but sales are so limited that persons are never able to recover their investments.

Nurses' median salary is \$300. General duty nurses working in non-federal general hospitals earn a median monthly salary of \$300, according to the 1960 edition of "Facts About Nursing", published by the American Nurses' Assn. The median monthly salary of directors of nursing service—the top nursing position in a hospital—is \$425. Larger hospitals tend to pay higher salaries than smaller ones.

Hospital found guilty. A judgment of \$15,000 against a Chicago hospital was awarded in a malpractice suit brought by an elderly patient for injuries suffered when she fell out of bed. Her daughter and son-in-law testified that they requested railings for her bed, but a nurse told them a doctor's order was required. The patient suffered a fractured hip in a fall at 5 a.m. her second day in the hospital after a nurse had awakened her, taken her temperature, and left the room.

Encouraging results from a new form of treatment of bone cancer were reported by a group of doctors from the Hines, Illinois, Veterans Administration Hospital. Several of the patients who had been bedfast became able to walk for the first time in several months. Eight patients with carcinoma of the prostate which had spread widely to bone received intravenous injections of radioactive polymetaphosphate (a condensed form of phosphate labeled with the P32 radioisotope of phosphorous). Seven of the eight showed relief of pain and clinical improvement. Eleven others who had the same sort of cancer received the polymetaphosphate plus treatment with the hormone, estrogen. The doctors said the

combination of estrogen and polymetaphosphate therapy apparently produced results better than those from use of either agent alone.

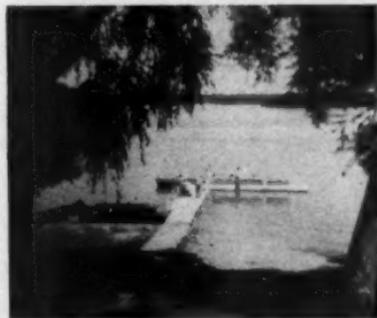
Veterans' benefits are tax free. This includes the monthly training allowance and compensation for a service-connected disability, and it is not necessary to report either of these when filing your federal income tax report for 1960.

"**The Functional Home for Easier Living**" is the name of a booklet with many good ideas for adapting your present home or building a new one for wheelchair living. This is recommended reading and is available free of charge from The Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, New York University Medical Center, 400 East 34th St., New York 16, New York.

Dates have been set for wheelchair games in the U.S. Three days, June 9 through 11. The place of these games has not been confirmed. Those interested can write to ACCENT, and their letters will be forwarded to those in charge.

The Only Resort For Handicapped Adults

Brown's Lake Lodge near Burlington, Wisconsin is ready to begin its 17th year of operation.



Cement sidewalk leading to water-level steel pier. At right is the swimming area, protected by pier and beach.

Extra wide doors, water-level pier, cement ramps and patios, no steps, ground-level modern washrooms, and home cooked meals are just a few of the facilities offered at this unique resort on picturesque Brown's Lake, with its nine miles of shoreline. The lodge has nine buildings, including large area dormitories and private rooms in cottages. It is a mile and a half from Burlington, which offers shopping facilities, motion picture theaters and other recreational activities.

While rates are less during May,



Front lawn patio overlooking Brown's Lake.

June and September, rates charged last year during July and August were \$35 per week for members and \$52.50 per week for non-members. Be sure to write for specific rates and dates they apply. Children up to 12 years old are admitted at reduced rates.

Sixteen years ago a group of handicapped adults joined hands and created the organization known as Brown's Lake Lodge. Its purpose was to buy a summer resort site that was up for sale—a beautiful campsite where these same people had spent many happy summers, some even having enjoyed their first swim in the cooling waters of Brown's Lake. Shares were sold at \$100 each and they were all bought by physically handicapped people, the more prosperous purchasing as

many shares as they could financially handle.

To become a member, one must have a physical disability or be married to a person who is handicapped. There is a difference in rates because members, non-members, relatives and friends use the facilities. When a person becomes a member, he becomes a part owner of Brown's Lake Lodge and as such he accepts certain physical, mental and financial responsibilities.

A large recreation building includes a stage, jukebox, 20 foot shuffleboard table, pool table, ping pong table, a baby grand piano, nine cocktail tables, a snack bar and a large fireplace. By this is a large sitting room with sofas, tables, poker tables, a television set and another fireplace. Overlooking the lake is a large screened in porch.

At this lodge many handicapped people oftentimes set aside their orthopedic appliances and in their favorite sport outfit indulge in complete relaxation. For complete information write to: Mr. Henry J. Wiegman, Membership Chairman, 1418 South 60th Court, Cicero 50, Illinois.



Back end of men's dormitory, showing cement sidewalk and ramp going down to the lake.



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problem, unhappily, one finds in the end is his alone to solve."

Tad, in his own words, explains how he did it.

"With current monthly sales running well over \$600, perhaps my past experiences can now be viewed with certain amusement. The first year ended with only the barest hint of success potential. If anything was clear, it was that the situation called for a complete revision of my selling methods.

"The second phase began with great enthusiasm, but sad to say, only a very few months were needed to show that continuation without change would mean total depletion of funds and complete cancellation of this venture in stamps. Again I tried a totally revised method of selling.

"So began a third and final phase. Packaged sets of stamps to be sold to collectors on approval.

"Certainly a procedure familiar to almost every stamp collector, but this was not tried earlier due to well meaning advice from two wholesalers. To wit: too much work and too little money. Be that as it may, all this time and effort expended was not a complete loss. Advertising techniques, psychology of selling, awareness of trends, favorable buying sources; all were adding to my rapidly evolving pattern of overall direction.



Life as a quadriplegic for stamp dealer Tad Tanaka began shortly after high school as the result of a motorcycle-auto collision, resulting in the fracture of the cervical vertebra at the 7th level. He has partial use of his hands; his arms and shoulders were almost totally unaffected. Tad reflects, with a twinkle in his eye, "To be able to finally begin paying the cost of my vocational rehabilitation to the State in the form of taxes is, to be sure, deeply satisfying. It is also satisfying to be permitted the more or less universal privilege of singing the taxation blues".

"The years' total approval sales of \$721.14 seems, to be sure, to be small . . . yet at that time, I felt that the future held much promise. Subsequent sales rose steadily and surely; when monthly sales reached \$200, the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation helped out with two major pieces of equipment needed for my expanding business.

"Being a stamp collector, though not an absolute prerequisite for becoming a stamp dealer, would add immeasurably in making the selling of stamps a most interesting field. Many pamphlets and booklets on how to sell stamps include offers to sell you stamp selling kits. These should be read with some reservation. There is one book now on the market which is realistic in its approach to selling stamps and can be read just for entertainment, if not for profit. Stamp Dealing, by Lucius Jackson, 150 pgs., \$3, can be secured from The Stamp Wholesaler, Burlington, Vermont. This book gives it to you straight without the usual 'make lotsa money, very little work' routine. This book carefully explains the various procedures and if diligently studied should save much time and effort which would otherwise be required through trial and error. As you can tell from my earlier experiences, I did not have the advantage of reading this book when I was starting.

"In all fairness to those who might consider this business, perhaps it should be noted that one of the biggest obstacles is lack of sufficient capital. One can reasonably expect an annual sale of three times

the total value of stock on hand. A small capital outlay will most likely require several years of work to compile an adequate working stock.

"If money is the only compensation desired, this is not the field to enter. If, however, one is challenged by competition and would like to meet it on equal terms, this would be ideal. You will, in effect, be competing with every other stamp dealer in the country since most of the stamps are sold through the mail and advertised in national magazines. In the normal course of business you will be approached by many dealers, not only in this country, but in countries abroad. As your volume increases it may be worthwhile to import stamps directly from the various national agencies.

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Thompson Buys Huxley

Thompson Respiration Products, Inc. of Boulder, Colorado has announced the purchase of the respirator manufacturing and sales facilities of the Technicon-Huxley Company of Chauncey, New York and have moved these facilities to their plant in Boulder.

Thompson will continue to manufacture the complete line of Huxley Respirators including the Hospital and Portable Respirator, the Multi-lung, and Pneumobelt and the Farr Aspirator. They will also supply complete parts and service for all Huxley equipment.

Thompson has a great deal of experience in the respirator field having manufactured a complete line of respirators for a number of years including the Thompson Portable for use with chest shell or cuirass, the Bantam used for positive pressure breathing or with the Pneumobelt, and the Zephyr blower. Thompson also manufactures the Medi-Breather, an IPPB machine using room air rather than oxygen.

The address of Thompson Respiration Products is Boulder Industrial Park, Boulder, Colorado.

Two Appointed to ACCENT Advisory Group

At the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of ACCENT On Living, Inc., two new appoint-

ments were made to the Editorial Advisory Committee. Dwight Guilfoil and Dr. Harold Phelps will be able to contribute a great deal of assistance in their areas of specialization.

Dwight D. Guilfoil, president of the Paraplegic Manufacturing Company in Bensenville, Illinois, has proven again that physically handicapped persons can be paid standard union wages and still build a successful company. Over 100 people are now employed at PAMCO. They have recently moved into a new 21,000 sq. ft. modern air conditioned plant, complete with cafeteria. Dwight, 38 years old, was chosen Handicapped American of the Year in 1960 and was one of the ten outstanding young men in the U.S. for 1957, as chosen by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

Harold R. Phelps, Ph.D., is director of the division of Special Education at Illinois State Normal University at Bloomington, Illinois. Dr. Phelps has many years of practical and successful experience in the field of education for the handicapped. A former Army Captain, he received his B.S. in Education and his Masters in Educational Psychology from the University of Nebraska. After receiving his Ph.D. in Educational and Counseling Psychology from Ohio State University, he joined their staff and specialized in working with handicapped children. In 1958, Dr. Phelps joined the staff at I.S.N.U. as director of Special Education. Dr. Phelps has had many articles published in technical journals.

Charitable Immunity Dies in Wisconsin

The charitable immunity doctrine has been knocked out in Wisconsin by the state supreme court, which said in a case against Doctor's Hospital, Milwaukee, "We will no longer recognize the defense of charitable immunity in cases where a paying patient is seeking recovery from a charitable hospital for the negligent acts of the hospital, its agents, servants or employees, and we hereby reverse all of our prior decisions inconsistent with this one."

Charitable immunity has prevailed in Wisconsin for 43 years. The new approach comes on an appeal from circuit court of a damage suit in which the guardian of a 65-year old woman patient sued for injuries allegedly suffered when she fell out of bed. Doctor's Hospital relied on the charitable immunity exception from liability under which the supreme court in 1917 held that non-profit hospitals performing a quasi-public function in ministering to the poor and sick without profit should not be sued for damages by those they sought to help.

The Wisconsin supreme court observed that the trend nationally is away from the immunity idea, and it said it is not required to "perpetuate a doctrine that should no longer be applicable in view of the changes in present-day chari-

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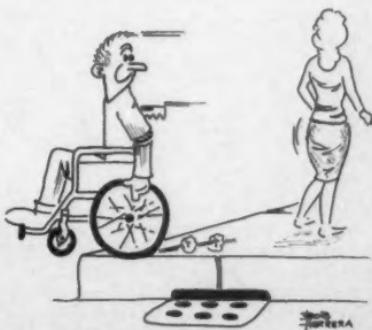
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ACCENT On Clubs

Christian League For The Handicapped



reported
by
Josephine
Pitney

Construction of the first building to be erected by the Christian League for the Handicapped is a \$450,000 building expansion program now underway. On June 16, 1960 a dedication ceremony was held at the building site. Then on November 12, 1960 many people attended the ground breaking service at which Dr. Herman Hoyt of Winona Lake Indiana, president of the Christian League's Board of Directors, was the principal speaker.

In 1959 The Christian League for the Handicapped purchased a tract of 140 acres in Walworth County, Wisconsin. This farm is located on State Highway 36 one mile west of Williams Bay and three and one-half miles northeast of Walworth.

About 25% of this land will be used as the site of an Occupational Home, a Gift Shop, Workshop, and Utility Building. Units to be constructed later are a Rehabilitation Center and Infirmary, a School and Residence for handicapped children, a Chapel, a Motel Unit for visitors, and staff housing and apartment type units for handicapped couples. The remainder of the land will be used for farming and truck gardening.

The first building will house the workshop, the central heating system, and the communications center. The foundation for this building has been poured and the steel beams are being raised. With the coming of the spring season it is hoped that the building will be completed.

Indoor Sports Club



reported
by
Dorothy
Mason

Last issue we gave a resume of the history and purposes of the Indoor Sports Club. This time we will dwell briefly on projects underway at the moment of benefit to our organization and the handicapped as a whole.

Work is progressing on the incorporation of the Indoor Sports' National Home Foundation, according to our national president, Elmer Josephs of Minneapolis, in order that resident homes for the handicapped may be built in different parts of our country. Of course, this is a far-reaching program and full realization of the goal may take several years. For some time the club has been collecting and marketing canceled commemorative postage stamps to add to donations received for the Foundation. National Chairman of this project is Miss Mabel Niebes, 1034 Molino Ave., Long Beach 4, Calif.

New Chapter chairman Charles Allen of South Miami, Florida, startled everyone at the beginning of the club year by envisioning 1000 new Indoor Sports chapters in the near future. They aren't "on the books" yet but several charters have been granted recently by the National executive board and many more groups are in the formative stage.

Each year during the club's anniversary month of April, members have been awarded 5, 10, 15 and 20-year gold cards with their names inscribed thereon for continuous club membership. Even though the club was founded in 1930, member-

ship records go back only to the date of incorporation in 1936. Thus, this year, for the first time, 25-year pins of blue and gold (club colors) with a small jewel, will be given to those who have maintained continuous membership in the Indoor Sports Club for 25 years or longer—with gratitude from the entire organization for their long years of service!

National Association of the Physically Handicapped



reported
by
Virginia
Hammond

IT PARTICIPATES: N.A.P.H. was invited to be represented at the White House Conference on Aging, held in Washington, D. C. January 9-12, 1961. President Clarence O. Averill appointed his 1st Vice President, Robert F. Conklin of Silver Spring, Md., to be his official delegate at this meeting.

Policy recommendations were developed at the conference in 20 major subjects, in areas that are of interest to the physically handicapped person, as well as to the aging. Mr. Conklin was a member of the Section on Rehabilitation, chaired by Dr. Howard A. Rusk, and he actively participated in the Work Group on Organization of Community Services to meet the needs of the disabled.

Also attending the conference, and a member of the Rehabilitation Section, was N.A.P.H. member Richard T. Gilmartin, a New York State delegate from Montauk, Long Island. Both Mr. Conklin and Mr. Gilmartin are physically handicapped. It is particularly important that

handicapped people have a voice in deliberation of this type, for they are their own best representatives.

IT RECOGNIZES: In the District of Columbia Department of Vocational Rehabilitation—Special services Division—is a woman, whose dedicated heart has enveloped the needs of the handicapped for many years. She took a prominent part in the original planning of the Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center in Fisherville, Va., and has spent much time and effort, in liaison work with N.A.P.H. and other community organizations, preparing handicapped persons to obtain and retain renumerative employment.

To Miss Susan Hendricks, ambassador for the handicapped, goes a very deep appreciation. Recognition was given her by the Nation's Capital Chapter of N.A.P.H. Inc., when Chapter President Elmo E. Beach presented Miss Hendricks with a Certificate of Honor for Outstanding Services, at their annual Christmas Dinner Party.

IT GIVES: N.A.P.H. sees the need for giving help to others—as an organization and as individual members. I would like to cite one member's way of helping.

Mrs. Marilyn W. Woods, N.A.P.H. National Vice President from Nasuha, N. H., has given 7 1/4 gallons of blood to the American Red Cross. Mrs. Woods says she feels "so much good can be obtained through the simple giving of blood, that any person able to do it should. It may give life to someone who might not live to enjoy it, if it were not there when needed".

IT ENCOURAGES AND ADVOCATES, to all handicapped people, the importance of taking advantage of today's opportunities, in rehabilitation and education. This can not be stressed too strongly. Proper adjustment and training are essential in preparing capable handicapped people for employment and thus into self sufficient citizens.

Yes—N.A.P.H., Inc. does this and a great deal more. It is an organization with the OUTWARD LOOK—looking beyond the present into the future—a future where the hopes and dreams, of handicapped people, become a reality.

Wheelchair Kitchen

Housing researchers at the University of Illinois Home Economics Department have developed some space and design requirements for kitchens for use from wheelchairs. Body and wheelchair measurements of 26 women volunteers provided reliable information. Volunteers tested the accessibility and ease of operating storage units, special drawers, cupboards and appliances, and found that many types



Test subject, Katherine Niemeyer, former student in Home Economics (in wheelchair) is shown with Helen McCullough, associate professor of Home Economics, who directed the research. Arm length and "reach" was an important factor in this research study.



The wheelchair kitchen varies chiefly in the height of sinks, surface cooking units and work counters and the need for knee space at least 24 inches wide under these units.

of commercial appliances can be used successfully by persons in wheelchairs. It is important, however, that these appliances be selected carefully to get the easy use and care features. This research showed that lower work heights and knee space are among the special needs in a wheelchair kitchen.



A pull-up unit for an electric mixer is easy to operate and is a feature that makes the wheelchair kitchen a joy to work in.



While many types of commercial appliances can be used from a wheelchair, it is important they be selected carefully to fit specific requirements of the individual. Miss Niemeyer shows how hard it is for a wheelchairbound woman to reach low doors that are hinged at the bottom.

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